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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the existing Abstract with the following:

An article comprising a fastener selected from the group including a rivet nut, a rivet nut stud, a threaded insert, and a blind threaded insert. The fastener has an inner surface and an outer surface and at least a portion of the outer surface is coated with an adhesive. In some aspects, the fastener includes a flange having a surface at least partially coated with an adhesive. The fastener can have various cross-sections and surface features.